

SN-US020279

PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

Yasuhiro HITOMI et al.

Serial No.: 10/674,067

Filed: September 30, 2003

For: FISHING REEL, FISHING INFORMATION :
DISPLAY DEVICE, AND FISHING :
INFORMATION DISPLAY SYSTEM :

:
:
:
:
:
:
:
:
:
:

Patent Art Unit: 2647

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Assistant Commissioner of Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

In accordance with MPEP 609 and 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, Applicants bring the references listed on the attached PTO-1449-Form to the Examiner's attention and request that they be considered and made of record in this application. A copy of the non-U.S. patent is attached.

I hereby certify that each item of information in the Information Disclosure Statement filed herewith was cited for the first time in any communication from a foreign patent office in any counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this Information Disclosure Statement. A copy of European Office Action of the corresponding European Application No. 03394089.1-1260 is attached hereto.

No fee is believed to be required in view of the above certification. However, Applicants authorize the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to charge payment of the Petition fee Under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(p) *if required* and any other fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-1836.

Prompt examination on the merits is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,



Kiyoe K. Kabashima
Attorney of Record
Reg. No. 54,874

SHINJYU GLOBAL IP COUNSELORS, LLP
1233 Twentieth Street, NW, Suite 700
Washington, DC 20036

(202)-293-0444

Dated: January 1, 2005

G:\02-FEB05-MT\SN-US020279 IDS.doc

Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it contains a valid OMB control number.

Substitute for form 4449A/PTO

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT BY APPLICANT

(use as many sheets as necessary)

Sheet	1	of	1
-------	---	----	---

Complete if Known

Application Number	10/674,067
Filing Date	09/30/2003
First Named Inventor	Yasuhiro HITOMI et al.
Group Art Unit	2647
Examiner Name	
Attorney Docket Number	SN-US020279

U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

[illegible]

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

[illegible]

**Examiner
Signature**

Date Considered

*EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.

¹ Applicant's unique citation designation number (optional). ² See Kinds Codes of USPTO Patent Documents at www.uspto.gov or MPEP 901.04.

³ Applicant's unique station designation number (optional). ⁴ See Kinus Codes of USPTO Patent documents at www.uspto.gov or WIPO-901.04
⁵ Enter Office that issued the document, by the two-letter code (WIPO Standard ST.3). ⁶ For Japanese patent documents, the indication of the
year of the reign of the Emperor must precede the serial number of the patent document. ⁷ Kind of document by the appropriate symbols as
indicated on the document under WIPO Standard ST. 16 if possible. ⁸ Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language Translation is
attached.

Burden Hour Statement: This form is estimated to take 2.0 hours to complete. Time will vary depending upon the needs of the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you are required to complete this form should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, Washington, DC 20231. **DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO:** Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, DC 20231.